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ACTION AGAINST BLACKLISTED COMPANIES FOR METRO PROJECT
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the date of first accident and the safety measures taken thereafter;

(b) whether criminal cases were filed against the companies for accidents;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of the other actions taken by the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) against the erring companies including Gammon India Limited?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a): Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) Ltd. has reported that the first accident involving major failure at launching site of M/s Afcons Infrastructure Ltd. happened on 19th October, 2008 at Laxmi Nagar.The safety measures taken thereafter are listed below:-

(i) All the launchers at different sites were stopped and re-inspected jointly by safety team and site team. The work at these launchers resumed only after compliance of safety observations made during these inspections.

(ii) Safety experts of General Consultants were tasked to carry out dedicated separate inspections of launchers on regular basis and submit report of safety issues at work sites.

(iii) Strengthening of site team for monitoring of works was carried out and launching operations were supervised by competent supervision of Contractors as well as DMRC.

(iv) A comprehensive checklist on safety was developed and circulated to all launching sites for completion before allowing any launching activity. The same was being monitored by site Engineers.

(b) & (c): DMRC had lodged FIR in the Police Station. Necessary enquiries were conducted by the Police authorities independently for which DMRC had provided all the information required.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): DMRC has served show cause memorandum to M/s Gammon India Ltd. for blacklisting them for a period of two years from its projects. DMRC has reported that it is appraising the response received from M/s Gammon India Ltd.